1	2	3	4	5	6
6	Bihar	..	1	..	1
7	Orissa	1	..	..	1
8	Andhra Pradesh	..	15	..	15
9	Karnataka	..	..	4	5
10	Tamil Nadu	..	2	..	..
	TOTAL	2	47	25	74

Shortage of sugar supply

1589. SHRl CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Wil! the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the shortage of sugar supply due io fall m its production;

(b) the steps that led to import of sugar and how OHd when the decision was taken to import sugar.

(c) what was the international prices of sugar when the shortage in sugar supply was first estimated; and

(d) at what rate sugar has been pur chased in the international market and sold in India to wholesalers and to con sumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and ic) L)u$_e$ to decrease in sugar pioduction during 1992-93 season and the current season, it was anticipated that there would be shortfall in the availability of sugar. To contain the pTi-ces of sugar and ensure adequate availa-biliy during the remaining part of current season and early part of next season, it was decided to allow import of sugar under Open General Licence (OGL) and a statement to this effect was made in Parliament on 15-3-1994. The average London Daily Price of sugar in March, 1994 was $ 340.38 f.o.b.

(d) The import of sugar has been placed under Open General Licence. As such the rates at which sugar has been coniracted/purchased by various private importers under this facility are not available with Government Th© private jjjwr-" porters are themselves arranging sales of the sugar brought into Indjprf by tnem at rates determined by *Tf* market forces/de-mand and supply an 'J rJie Government lias no role to piny «'$^{n\ (nese\ sa,}$es.

Th$_c$ average O^{IF}. rate at which State Trading Coi ^{pon,lion}/MineraIs and Metals Trading {Corporation Limited have contracted for. import of sugar was about US $ 387 pe$^{r\ Metrlc}$ Tonne. This sugar wil] be sold $^{thrt>u}$B^{h} the Public Distribution System *o consumers at Rs. 9.05 per Kg.

उत्तर प्रदेश में बन्द पड़ी चीनी मिलें

1590. चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह : क्या खाद्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस समय उत्तर प्रदेश में कौन कौन सी चीनी मिलें बन्द पड़ी है,

(ख) उन्हें फिर से चालू करने के लिये क्या-क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं :